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FRICTION STIR WELDING METHOD, AND
FRICTION STIR WELDING DEVICE**

AMENDMENT-B INCLUDING RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Action dated August 6, 2008, applicant submits the following response:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claim listing which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks and Discussion begin on page 10 of this paper.

Applicant elects, without traverse, Group I, claims 1-9.